

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 8, line 24 with the following rewritten version:

-- As shown in Figure 3(a) and Figure 3(b), the first link 13a is pivotably connected to one end of the third link 13c ~~at one end~~, and is pivotably connected to the lateral side of the motor box 12 at the bottom ~~other~~ end. On the other hand, the second link 13b is pivotably connected to the other end of the third link 13c and the linking member 16 ~~at one end~~, and is pivotably connected to the lateral side of the motor box 12 at the bottom ~~other~~ end. In this way, when a drive force to rotate in one direction is transmitted to the parallel link 13 from the rotation motor 14 via the linking member 16, the parallel link 13 oscillates front and rear in the vertical plane around a position connected to the motor box 12. --

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 10, line 13 with the following rewritten version:

-- It should be noted, as mentioned above, during the reciprocating movement of the trough 11, that the movement in the direction opposite to the conveyance direction is performed faster than the movement in the conveyance direction. Consequently, it is possible to convey an article by imposing accelerated velocity upon the article in the forward conveyance direction while reciprocatingly moving the trough 11. Specifically, in the process in which the rotation motor 14 reciprocatingly moves the trough 11, the rotation speed is increased in a rotation range where the trough 11 is being moved in the direction opposite to the conveyance direction, as compared to the rotation speed with which the rotation motor 14 rotates while the trough 11 is moved ~~of the movement~~ in the conveyance direction. In this way, the trough 11 can be moved faster in the direction opposite to the predetermined conveyance direction than in the conveyance direction. --

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 13, line 11 with the following rewritten version:

-- The container C is an open top, cup-shaped container with a brim around its periphery, and conveys a material subject to weighing from a feed position to a discharge position while circulating inside the combination weighing apparatus 30. In addition, the container C circulates inside the combination weighing apparatus 30 while constantly being moved through the weighing unit 31, the stock unit 33, and the discharge unit 34. Therefore, with the combination weighing apparatus 30 of this embodiment, all the processes such as feeding, weighing, stocking, and discharging of a material subject to weighing are performed while the material is carried by ~~implemented with respect to the container C that is moving.~~ In addition, the container C is a member which is made of metal or partially made of metal, and it is held to the weighing unit 31, the stock unit 33, and the discharge unit 34 described below, by a magnetic force of a magnet attached to a holder that the weighing unit 31, the stock unit 33 and the discharge unit 34 each has. --

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 14, line 8 with the following rewritten version:

-- The operation unit 40 receives an input regarding set values such as running speed from a user, and displays various information regarding operation and the like. It should be noted that, in this embodiment, a control unit 41 that controls the entire operation of the combination weighing apparatus 30 is provided inside the operation unit 40. In other words, the control unit 41 conducts combination weighing calculation based on the weight data obtained by the weighing unit 31 and selects containers C to be discharged from the discharge unit 34 based on the result of the combination weighing calculation. --

Please replace the abstract with the following rewritten version:

~~A In order to provide a transport apparatus that enables a trough to be easily removed in one step, and a combination weighing apparatus provided with the same are provided, a transport apparatus (10) is a~~ The transport apparatus includes including a trough (11) and a

reciprocating movement mechanism (20), and is configured to convey an article placed in the trough (11) in a predetermined direction. The reciprocating movement mechanism (20) includes a motor box (12), and a support member. The trough has one of a protruding part and a depressed part, while the support member had the other of the protruding part and the depressed part. The motor is configured to move the trough via the support member along the conveyance direction such that the trough moves faster in a direction opposite the conveyance direction than in the conveyance direction. The protruding part is removably connected to the depressed part. ~~a parallel link (13), and a linking member (16). The parallel link (13) that also functions as a support member includes a first link (13a) and a second link (13b) which respectively have a first depressed part (15a) and a second depressed part (15b) formed on one end part thereof. The first depressed part (15a) and the second depressed part (15b) support protruding parts (11a, 11b) protruding from the trough (11).~~